



RECEIVED

MAR 07 2003

TC 1700

Atty. Docket No. 4301-1060

PATENTS

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of

*Box AF*

Peter LISEC

Confirmation No. 9161

Serial No. 09/850,064

GROUP 1733

Filed May 8, 2001

Examiner Jeff H. Aftergut

PROCESS FOR JOINING HOLLOW SECTION STRIPS BY WELDING

AMENDMENT AFTER FINAL

Commissioner for Patents

Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Responsive to the Final Official Action of December 4, 2002, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS:

Amend claim 8 as follows:

*C1*  
-- 8. (amended) A process for joining the ends of hollow metal section strips or the ends of a hollow metal section strip which has been bent into a frame to one another to produce a spacer for insulating glass, the process comprising the steps of:

producing edges which extend over the width of one surface of the ends to be joined to one another and the edges are set back relative to the faces of the end, the one surface comprising only the surface which will be the inner surface of the spacer inside the insulating glass;

*AF*  
*1700*

*QC/KW*  
*3/7/03*  
*(N.E.)*